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SENATE....No. 34.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Senate, February 19, 1846.

The Joint Special Committee on Railways and Canals, to which was committed the Petition of the Boston and Maine Rail-road Corporation, praying for liberty to change their route in Andover, have considered the same, and report the accompanying Bill.

G. WHEATLAND, *Chairman.*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-Six.

Mass. — Laws, Schedules, etc.

AN ACT

In addition to an Act incorporating the Boston and Maine Rail-road.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECT. 1. That the Boston and Maine Rail-road
2 Corporation are hereby authorized and empowered
3 to locate and construct a rail-road, commencing at a
4 point in their present road, as now constructed in
5 the South Parish of the town of Andover, between
6 the south end of the Thompson Curve, so called,
7 and the public road leading from the city of Salem
8 to the Andover Bridge, running down the valley of
9 the Shawshine River, to a point near the said Ando-
10 ver Bridge, thence along the right Bank of the Mer-
11 rimack River, to intersect their present road, near

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Sutton's Mills, in the North Parish of Andover, and discontinue so much of their present road as they may deem expedient; *provided*, *however*, that, if the road to be constructed diverges from the present road, south of the depot in South Andover, then, the new road, shall pass within one thousand feet of the said depot.

SECT. 2. They are also empowerd to locate and construct a branch rail-road, commencing in a point of the road granted by the first section of this act, and continuing to a convenient terminus, in the town of Methuen, crossing the Merrimack River by a bridge.

SECT. 3. The said corporation, in locating, constructing, and maintaining the new sections of rail-road, hereby authorized, shall have and enjoy all the privileges and powers, and be subject to all the duties, restrictions, and liabilities, set forth in the forty-fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes, and that part of the thirty-ninth chapter of said statutes, and the statutes subsequently passed relating to rail-road corporations.

SECT. 4. The said corporation are hereby authorized to increase their capital stock by the amount of five hundred thousand dollars.

SECT. 5. The Legislature may authorize any company to enter with another rail-road, upon, and use the said sections of rail-road, hereby authorized, or any part thereof, according to the provisions of

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5 the statutes of the Commonwealth, paying therefor
6 such rates of toll, or compensation, as the Legisla-
7 ture shall from time to time prescribe; and comply-
8 ing with such rules and regulations as the Boston
9 and Maine Rail-road Company may prescribe.

1 SECT. 6. If the location of the section of rail-
2 road hereby authorized, is not filed according to law,
3 within one year, or if said company shall not com-
4 plete said road, to the extent provided in the first
5 section of this act, within three years from the date
6 of the same, then this act shall be null and void.

1 SECT. 7. This act shall take effect from and
2 after its passage.

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